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23 S-M-I-T-H. I'm Claud T. Smith, retired Las Vegas
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1 operations. I, too, have reservations about the safety
2 of storing nuclear waste in my state. I do, however,
3 realize that this state has been the site for the safe
4 testing of the advises for the defense of the United
5 States government. I believe that given the safety
6 record by the Department of Energy and others,
7 test-related entities, that our safety will not be
8 compromised by the storing of waste at Yucca Mountain.
9 When dealing with hazardous waste such as this, it is
10 academic for me to say that the safe handling procedure
11 for the transport and storage of the material will not
12 be done safely. I simply don't know. I can only say
13 that barring several minor incidents, we conducted
14 testing of devices for the nation's defense for
15 approximately 40 years. That, to me, speaks for
16 itself. That's all I have to say.

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